

*"Behold, now is the  
acceptable time; behold,  
now is the day of salvation."*  
II Cor. 6:2

**LeTourneau  
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**Faith brings  
us together.  
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us apart.**

# WORK

## Work Underway on New Campus Entrance

Work is underway on a major campus beautification project which will include a new campus entrance, new street lights, and landscaping improvements to the front of the campus.

The project, part of the three-year, \$5.7 million Capture The Vision Campaign, was begun in early April and is expected to be completed by the end of July, according to Earl Martin, director of general services.

Total cost of the project is \$275,000, with primary funding provided by College trustee S. E.

Belcher, Jr. of Brent, Ala.

When the project is completed, existing entrances to the campus will be permanently closed and traffic will enter and exit at the front of the campus. A secondary entrance off of Green Street will remain open to delivery vehicles.

"We are excited about this enhancement to the campus and the opportunity to make it more attractive for our students, employees and the public," said Martin, a former director and officer of the Longview Beautification Association.

## New Adult Program to Impact 48-County Region This Fall

LeTourneau College will offer a new program this fall targeted to the 48-county region comprising Northeast Texas, which includes approximately 450,000 working adults who have one-to-three years of college credit but no four-year degree.

LeTourneau Education for Adult Professionals (LEAP) has been selected as the name for the new program, which is expected to enroll a minimum of 100 new students per year.

The LEAP program is designed for working professionals who want to finish a degree but must maintain their full-time employment.

Those accepted into the program must complete a 44-credit-hour, 18-month core curriculum by attending class one evening per week.

Graduates will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration.

Classes will be offered at times determined to be compatible with student work schedules, and many begin at any time during the year as long as minimum enrollment requirements are met.

To qualify for the program, applicants must have documentation of prior learning equivalent to a minimum of 60 semester hours of college credit. This could be all classroom work, or could be some combination of classroom work and credit for

military, professional and other types of experiential learning. Up to 30 hours may be applied toward the LEAP program requirements through a pre-assessment process which includes attending a Personal and Professional Assessment Workshop and submitting a Prior Learning Portfolio. Twelve to 15 hours of credit from this source is the average.

Initially the LEAP program will be offered on two sites this fall, one in Longview and one in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex. As the program expands, it is anticipated that other regional centers will be added.

Applicants to the LEAP program must also have a minimum overall grade point average of 2.0 or better in previous college work. Applicants should also have a minimum of two years of significant occupational or job-related experience.

"The LEAP program is a natural extension to provide quality Christian education to those in our region. This should be a tremendous resource for the citizens of Northeast Texas," said LeTourneau President Alvin O. Austin.



S. E. Belcher, Jr.



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## Trustees Approve Change To LeTourneau University

At press time, the LeTourneau College Board of Trustees is concluding its spring meeting (May 4-5), and has approved several major changes. The biggest change is a decision to become LeTourneau University. An announcement of the change was made to the media at a news conference May 5, with notification to other constituencies to follow in the next several weeks. The transition to a university will begin immediately but will be phased in over the next few months with an

official celebration scheduled for Sept. 1. The August issue of *Now* will focus attention on the issue of becoming a university and will include observations from a number of individuals, both from the campus and outside the campus.

In other action, the Board approved the addition of a teacher certification program in secondary education for the fall of 1990, and reaffirmed its support of an adult degree completion program to be implemented this fall.

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# Faculty, Alumni Honored at Homecoming '89

As one of many highlights of Homecoming '89, Charles

Rudolph and Dillie McGaughey were honored April 1 as Alumni of the Year and Honorary

Alumnus of the Year, respectively.

The two award recipients were recognized at the annual Alumni Breakfast, and were joined by a third honoree, Dr. Norman Shick, who was recognized for his 10 years of service as Director of

Alumni Relations.

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*L. to r. are, Charles Rudolph, Alumnus of the Year; Dillie McGaughey, Honorary Alumnus of the Year; and Dr. Norman Shick, former Alumni Director.*

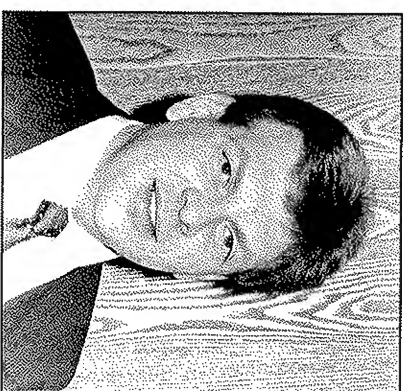
## John Galiano Appointed Director of Alumni Relations

John J. Galiano has been appointed Director of Alumni Relations at LeTourneau College, according to Dr. Alvin O. Austin, president.

The appointment was effective March 1.

"John brings the right blend of enthusiasm, people skills and technical know-how to this important position," said Austin.

"He will provide leadership in a number of areas, and will have direct responsibility for all phases of the alumni program."



*John Galiano*

Galiano, a 1984 LeTourneau graduate, has extensive experience in volunteer recruitment and management, direct response programs, marketing, advertising, budgeting, forecasting and financial control policy and procedures.

His background includes stints as associate consultant with Kilion McCabe Advertising Agency, Dallas, financial manager,

Four long-time employees at LeTourneau College were honored April 1 at the Faculty Appreciation Banquet during Homecoming '89.

Included were Mr. Richard Berry, Mr. Floyd Bishop, Dr. Robert Ralston and Dr. John Stuber. They have a cumulative total of 93 years of service to the College.

Berry joined the LeTourneau faculty in 1968 and is retiring at the end of the school year. He has served in a variety of capacities, including academic vice president and acting president. He is currently chairman of the division of engineering and engineering technology.

Bishop retired from full-time service in December, 1988 and is teaching on a part-time basis. He taught in the Division of Aviation for 23 years and was division chairman for the last 13 years. Ralston joined the faculty in 1964 and served 25 years at LeTourneau. He was chairman of the Division of Engineering and Engineering Technology from 1978 to 1986. During World War II, he was a Navy pilot.

Stuber retired after 24 years in May, 1988. He continues to work at the College as a consultant in the area of registration and records. Like Berry, Stuber has held a number of positions at the College, including Registrar, Director of Admissions, and chairman of the Division of Biblical Studies and Missions. "These men all made significant sacrifices to work at LeTourneau and have left a lasting impression on the course of our institution," said President Alvin O. Austin. "Men such as these cannot be easily replaced," he added.

## Karsten Manufacturing Makes \$120,000 Gift

Karsten Manufacturing Company,

a division of Ping, Inc. of Phoenix, Arizona, recently donated \$120,000 to the LeTourneau College Division of Aviation.

The gift was arranged by LeTourneau alumnus John Solheim, vice president of Karsten Manufacturing, who attended the College during the 1963-64 school year.

According to Lauren Bitikofer, chairman of the Division of Aviation, the \$120,000 was used to purchase a 1979 Beechcraft Baron B-55 twin engine airplane with low air hours. The plane is now in use in the College's flight training program, headquartered

at the Gregg County Airport.

Ping, Inc. is a leader in the design and manufacture of golf balls, golf clubs, and other related items.

"The addition of this airplane will significantly enhance the training available to our flight students, and should provide many years of service," said Bitikofer. "We've been looking for another twin engine aircraft for some time, and this is a dream come true," he added.

"We are extremely appreciative of this generous gift and have put it to good use in educating Christian young people," said LeTourneau President Alvin O. Austin.



*John Solheim, left, visits with President Austin. Solheim was instrumental in arranging a \$120,000 gift from Karsten Manufacturing Co.*

President's Message

Educational Mission Includes Adults

When we think about the mission of the Christian college, we most often think of the educational activities and spiritual and social developments that occur within the confines of the ivy-covered, hallowed halls of the campus. Most of our mental images conjure up scenes where traditional college-age students, typically 18 to 22 years old, sit in lecture halls or work in structured labs. We envision students spending much time worrying about how to find their future spouse, where they will find a summer job, or what they will do after graduation. And our images do accurately reflect much of the life of the traditional college-age student. As a Christian institution that focuses on the development of the "whole" person, one that does not simply dispense academic information, the providing of a residential environment that blends many living and learning experiences into a holistic educational program is now and will remain at the heart of our educational purpose.

However, just as we are commanded to "go into all the world and share the gospel," is there not a parallel expectation that we be open to sharing quality Christian education with those who cannot become a part of a traditional residential campus? Is there an expanded role that the Christian college needs to fill? One cannot browse at the newsstand without being confronted with the headlines announcing the crises in American education. The *Wall Street Journal*, *Fortune*, *Nation's Business* and others are chronicling the need for educational reform. Many of these articles point out that it is the breaking down of the basic moral fiber of our nation and the lack of a values orientation in our schools that is at the center of the educational dilemma.

Those of us in Christian education have an unprecedented opportunity to not only assist in solving the current problems but to also impact the future of

Snow Coil, Inc. Donates Environmental Chamber

Snow Coil, Inc., a leading manufacturer of heating, air conditioning and refrigeration coils, has donated an environmental test chamber to LeTourneau College. The test chamber can be used to measure and compare the performance of various types of coils used in heating, air conditioning and refrigeration equipment. With the proper instrumentation, the test chamber can provide test data in accordance with the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE), which means that LeTourneau College can use it to verify that specific coils or systems meet the performance defined by ASHRAE.

Snow Coil, Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Oswosso Group, Conshohocken, Pa. Amos Snow is the president of the subsidiary. He began manufacturing coils in 1973 at the former Mayflower School near Lake Cherokee. The company moved in 1984 to its present location on FM 1252 northwest of Kilgore, Texas. The second expansion of the facility is nearing completion. With this latest expansion, the work force will total approximately 200 people.

American education at every level. What can LeTourneau do? How can we reach out and help to make a difference? Here are several suggestions:

1. Let us expand our Christian, values-oriented education to a broader segment of our population. Last November our Board of Trustees approved a new adult degree completion program that will be aimed at the working adult, typically in the 25-55 year old category. We are going to call this our LEAP (LeTourneau Education for Adult Professionals) program. This will be offered not only in the Longview community but throughout Northeast Texas. We hope to begin the first programs this fall in the Dallas Metroplex area and in Longview. This will be a quality program, taught in a way that takes advantage of the prior learning and professional experiences of the adult and delivered at a time convenient to the working adult. This is our opportunity to take the unique LeTourneau, Christian values-oriented education right into the corporate offices of our region. We will be reaching out to make a difference!

2. At our just-completed spring meeting of the Board, we approved the implementation of a new teacher education certification program for LeTourneau. While we have prepared many outstanding professionals for careers in engineering, technology, business and the arts and sciences, our only way to assist students in preparing for a future in teaching was to send them to another cooperating college. With the need for quality teachers growing at a rapid pace, we feel it is timely for us to offer this program on our campus beginning with the fall semester, 1990. I am absolutely convinced that there is no better teacher than a Christian teacher. When one cares about the "whole" person they approach learning in a much different way. We want to help solve some of the problems in education by providing some of the finest teachers in America.

In the months ahead we will tell you more about these and other new programs that we are offering at LeTourneau as we seek to move beyond those areas that have been our traditional strengths. While we are fully committed to remaining the most outstanding Christian college offering programs in engineering and technology, and to providing a solid educational program for our residential students, there is a needy world out there that is crying out for what we have and we must be willing to reach out and minister to those needs as well.

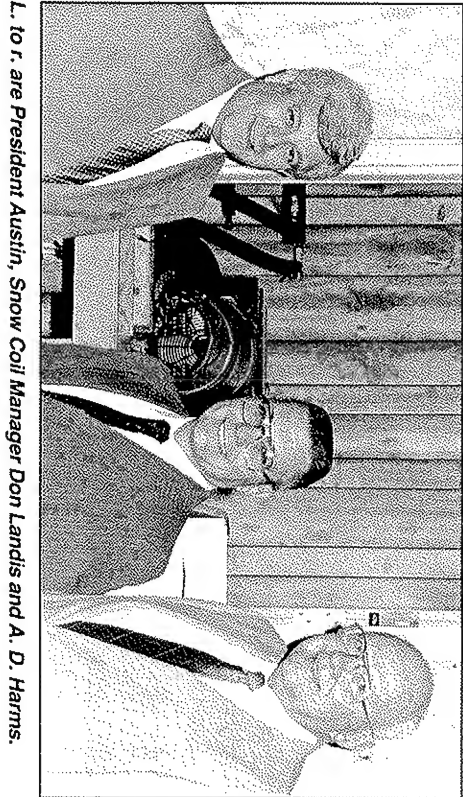
Don Landis, a 1962 LeTourneau graduate and general manager of Snow Coil, said that the company uses computer-aided design and manufacturing to provide customers with state-of-the-art products. "Snow Coil ships heating, air conditioning and refrigeration equipment to manufacturers throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and South America," he said.

The College's Research and Advanced Development Institute (RAD) constructed the environmental test chamber for Snow Coil in 1987. A. D. Harms, Radi director, said, "We are fortunate to have the test chamber donated to the College. It will provide an opportunity for professors and students to become involved in testing and evaluating various types of coils and systems for the heating, air conditioning and refrigeration industry."

Anyone interested in information on possible uses of the test chamber may contact Harms at P.O. Box 7001, Longview, TX 75607, or by calling 214/753-0231, Ext. 220.

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L. to r. are President Austin, Snow Coil Manager Don Landis and A. D. Harms.

Spring Graduates Number 100

One hundred students received degrees from LeTourneau College during spring graduation ceremonies May 6. Awarded were 11 Associate of Science degrees, three Bachelor of Arts degrees, and 86 Bachelor of Science degrees.

Paul Glaskie, president of Blue Bird Bus Co., Macon, Ga. and chairman of the LeTourneau College Board of Trustees, delivered the commencement address.

Honor graduates included Rocklian Malik Denepitya, Stephen Joseph Fretz, Darrin James Gaynier, Brett Christopher Helbig, Cheri White Hudspeth, Michael Thure Johnson, Shawn Ranier Lohstroh, and Alex J. Pollack, *cum laude*; John Norman Anderson, Scott Preston Edinger, Mark Allen Haley, and Steven Eric Olsen, *magna cum laude*; Michael William Barron, Mark Budai, Timothy Paul Gess, and Stanley Ernest Young, *summa cum laude*.



President Austin, left, visits with guest speaker Dr. David McKenna, President of Asbury Theological Seminary, April 13-14.

Dr. Alvin O. Austin, president of LeTourneau College, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Christian College Coalition. Dr. Jay Kessler, president of Taylor University, is chairman of the board. The appointment was made Feb. 1 in Washington, D.C. and is for a three-year term. Austin will chair the Government Relations and Legal Issues Committee. The Christian College Coalition has 77 member institutions in the United States and Canada.

1989-90 officers of the LeTourneau College Associates are Delbert Bright, president; Frank Hamilton, vice president; and Bill Keese, secretary. New members of the Associates Board of Directors include Dianne Benton, Retta Kelley, Don Scoggins, and Hank Smith. In addition, Richard Berryhill was re-elected to another term on the board.

Faculty-Staff Service Award Pins were presented this spring to the following: 5 Years — LaDonna Ferguson, Dr. Paul Gray, Frank Olson; 10 Years — William (Bill) Morgan; 15 Years — Rita Courson, Sheila Peterson; 20 Years — Mary Shank; 25 Years — Dr. Kenneth Durham, Dr. Robert Ralston, Doris Sparks.

1989-90 officers of the Teaching Faculty Organization (TFO) include Dr. Robert Farrell, chairman; Dr. Paul Lefler, vice chairman; Dr. Ken Roden, parliamentarian; and Leta Fae Arnold, secretary.



# Invention Contest Winners Take Home \$1,600 in Prizes

**Gayle Hardin, Bookstore Manager, invites alumni and friends of the College to take advantage of discount and close-out prices on items labeled "LeTourneau College." These will be all be sold before the fall semester to make room for new items with the "LeTourneau University" insignia. Get your collector's item today while there is still time. Call 214/753-0231, Ext. 290.**

**Dr. Ken Durham, professor of history, contributed five entries to the "Dictionary of Louisiana Biography" published recently by the Louisiana Historical Association. Durham was also appointed this spring to the Gregg County Historical Commission and was re-elected to the board of the Gregg County Historical Museum.**

**Dr. Martin Batts has accepted a \$3,000 National Endowment for the Humanities summer fellowship at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He will be studying Southern writers from June 12-July 20.**

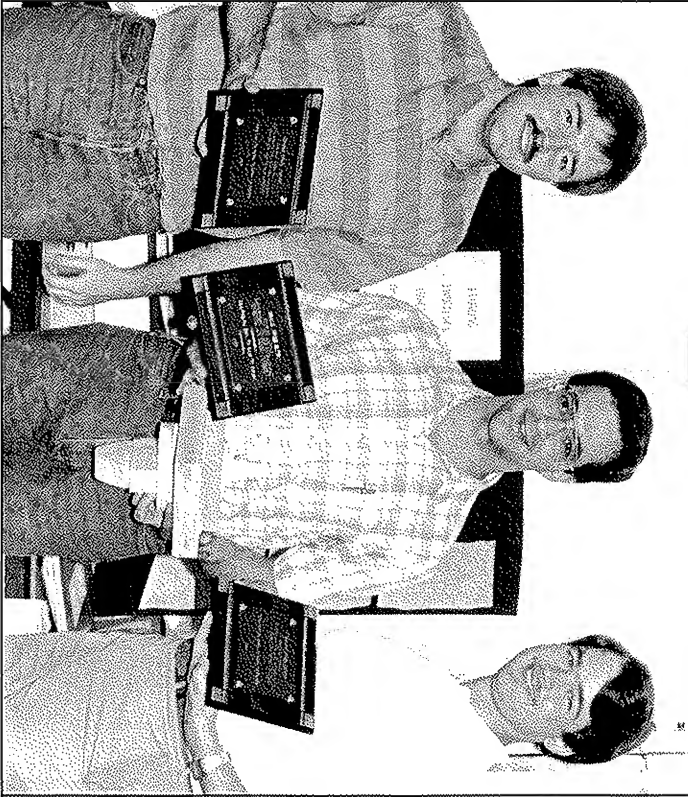
**More than 200 business leaders and local educators attended the Greater Longview Business and Education Summit April 19 on the campus. Principal speakers included Robert Mosbacher, Jr., Larry Jenkins and Dan Long.**

**Steve Gattton, director of career development, was one of 25 individuals who successfully completed the six-month Leadership Longview training program this spring. The program is sponsored by the Longview Chamber of Commerce.**

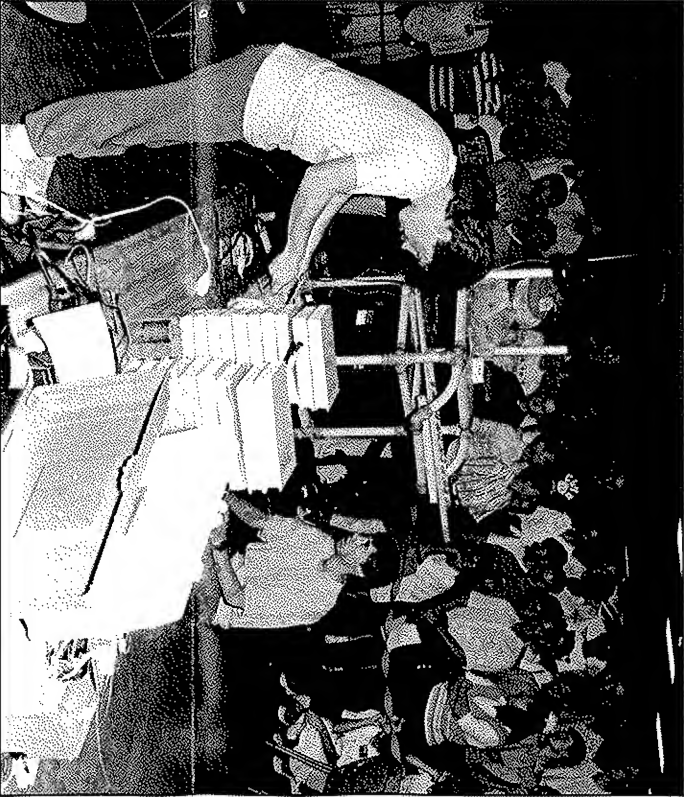
**Dr. Lawson Younger, assistant professor of Biblical Studies, had two articles published this spring, "Critical Book Review of John Van Seters' In Search of History" and "Panammuwa and Bar-Rakib: Two Structural Analyses."**

**An East Texas Chapter of the LeTourneau College Alumni Association will be forming this fall and Steve Reason (BUBS) will serve as its president. For more information contact the Alumni Office.**

Twenty-five individuals representing 20 entries won \$1,600 in the Fourth Annual LeTourneau College Invitational Invention and Design Contest this spring. Prizes were presented at an April 17 Awards Reception. The Contest, which seeks to promote and recognize creative ideas and technologies that help to solve existing problems, is sponsored by the LeTourneau College Associates. The winners included: Adult Division: 1st Place, Thomas McCauley, Longview, \$200, Wide Load/Hazardous Material Truck Light; 2nd Place, Richard Pace, Longview, \$100, Barbecue Pit; 3rd Place, Tom Wirth, Lone Star, \$50, Oil Drain Pan. Senior College Division: 1st Place, Steve Freiz, Paul Beatty, Tim Graber, Tim Sherbeck, LeTourneau, \$200, Floating Twistlock Assembly; 2nd Place, Michael Masterson, LeTourneau, \$100, Table Tennis Scorekeeper; 3rd Place, Steve Dudden, Rocky Denepitya, LeTourneau, \$50, The Power Valve; Honorable Mention, Michael Barron, LeTourneau, \$25, Software/Foreign Language Tutor; Honorable Mention, David Alford, Peter Vaughan, LeTourneau, \$25, Cafe' Style Racing Bicycle. Junior College Division: 1st Place (tie), Martin Vulle, Kilgore, \$150, The Pain of Penetration, and Stephanie Gordon, Kilgore, \$150, Found Object Construction; 3rd Place, Jayme Johnson, Kilgore, \$50, Fantasia; Honorable Mention, Carol Beck, Kilgore, \$25, Sculptured Jewelry; Honorable Mention, Carol Beck, Kilgore, \$25, Bass Tournament. High School Division: Honorable Mention, Valerie King, Gilmer, \$25, Denim Wedding Dress; Honorable Mention, Jamie Denning, Hallsville, \$25, Denial Care Brush. Middle School Division: 1st Place, Tina Robertson, Whitehouse, \$200, Magical Mailbox; 2nd Place, Kendrick Skipper, Gladewater, \$100, Clear-View Vision; 3rd Place, Shannon Cavel, Gladewater, \$50, Key Keeper; Honorable Mention, Amanda Walker, Hallsville, \$25, Shorry Switch; Honorable Mention, Laura Clark, Hudson Pep, \$25, Tiny Drawer Organizer. In addition to cash prizes, each winning contestant received a Certificate of Achievement signed by Dr. Russell Primrose, Contest Coordinator and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Receiving plaques were Grand Prize Winners Freiz, Beatty, Graber and Sherbeck.



LeTourneau students Paul Beatty, Steve Freiz and Tim Graber. Not pictured is Tim Sherbeck.



Rube Goldberg design students draw a crowd to their demonstration.

# Spring Mission Trip Serves Dual Purpose

Eighty-nine faculty and students from LeTourneau College participated in spring break mission trips March 4-12. Two groups went to North Carolina and two groups went to Mexico. Jeff Sprague led a group of 13 students on a trip to JAARS headquarters, and Walter Burklin led a group of nine to Master's headquarters.

Dr. Ken Roden and Bob Marsh led a group of 28 on a sports evangelism trip to Mexico City, and Dr. Don Knoop led a group of 39 to Monterrey, Mexico. Statistically, this means that more than 10 percent of the student body were involved in spring break missions. This is an unusually high percentage, even for a Christian college. According to Dan Huegel, a member and one of the organizers of the Monterrey trip, tasks performed included distributing 45,000 Spanish gospel tracts, conducting a youth rally, clearing some property for the 1st Christian Church of Monterrey, doing some painting of church property and helping to frame up



LeTourneau students and faculty minister in Monterrey, Mexico.

a parsonage. "The purpose of the trip was two-fold," said Huegel, who was raised in Mexico City as the son of a missionary. "We wanted to help strengthen a local church and have a chance to witness and evangelize, and also to learn about a foreign culture." Huegel said that the trip to Mexico originated from a desire by

students on 3B to develop an alternative missions trip to one originally scheduled for Haiti. "We went to Mexico for \$60 apiece, whereas the Haiti trip would have cost \$600 each," he said. According to Huegel, the LeTourneau group lived in the homes of church members during their stay to observe and learn more about the lifestyle of the

people in Monterrey. In the evenings the group was able to enjoy some sightseeing. "It was a powerful experience for us and for them," he said, adding that several conversions occurred during their stay. Marsh reported that a large number of individuals were converted as a result of the Mexico City campaign.



# Aviation Students Repeat as State Champs

LeTourneau College took top honors for the third year in a row in the Texas Aviation Maintenance Competition held this spring in Waco.

The competition, hosted by Texas State Technical Institute and coordinated by the Texas Aeronautical Commission, was begun in 1987.

"This is certainly deserved recognition for the quality of our program, and the quality of our students," said Lauren Britkofer, Division of Aviation chairman.

Eight of the nine aviation schools in Texas were represented, with three students from each school. LeTourneau College freshman Bernhard Gildemeister took first place honors, followed closely by LeTourneau senior Brad Forrider. LeTourneau's third entrant, Mark Haley, took top honors in the airframe section of the competition. The LeTourneau team accumulated 2,445 points, followed by TSTI-Waco with 2,210 and Tarrant County Junior College with 2,113. A score of 3,600 was possible.

The competition consisted of 12 problems ranging from electrical circuits to magneo timing to paperwork. Each participant worked the same 12 problems in a time limit of 15 minutes with five minute intervals. LeTourneau's team scored 100 percent on nine of the 12 problems. Awards included a Snap-on tool set valued at \$1,500, airline tickets, money certificates, jackets, caps, medallions, and other prizes, including an expense-paid training course at a major aviation manufacturer.



L. to r. are President Austin, Mark Haley, Brad Forrider and Bernhard Gildemeister.

## RADI Gets \$30,000 NASA Grant

The LeTourneau College Research and Advanced Development Institute (RADI) has received a \$30,000 grant from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)/Johnson Space Center in Houston. The 12-month grant provides funding for continuing study and research on silanes and their related use to provide waterproof coatings on silica surfaces such as

the High Temperature Reusable Surface Insulation (HTRS) tiles used on current NASA space shuttle orbiters.

"We welcome this opportunity to conduct further inquiries and to contribute additional research support to an area of critical importance to the space program," said A. D. Harms, RADI director.

Dr. Richard Johnson, chairman of

The Division of Natural Sciences, and Physical Education, will serve as Project Manager for the grant. He will be assisted by Dr. Doug Ford, associate professor of natural science, and selected science students, who will assist in data collection and analysis. The Research and Advanced Development Institute is a nonprofit department of LeTourneau College.

# Make Hay While The Sun Shines

By Wayne W. Archer, Director of Planned Giving

July is haying time along the Kansas-Oklahoma border. Esther and William Andrews remember haying Saturday, the day before R. G. LeTourneau was to come. Sunday was a day of rest — the Lord's day — for Esther and William.

It was a hot Sunday afternoon for Wann, Oklahoma during 1948 when R. G. LeTourneau spoke for a community rally. William, a farmer, and his wife, Esther, a school teacher for 37 years, attended the rally. "I was impressed," said William, "by R. G.'s commitment to his Lord and the fact that R. G. tried to do all in his power to share Christ with everyone he came in contact with." Esther added, "William would keep all of the monthly *Now* papers just to look at the machines and new inventions and to read about testimonies for the Lord."

Mr. and Mrs. Andrews made a trip to Longview to visit the College and were impressed that the old Army barracks could be used to such good advantage by the College. They were also impressed by the care and concern displayed by faculty and staff members they met.

In 1975, the Andrews placed one of their farms into a LeTourneau College charitable remainder unitrust. They avoided all capital gains tax, received an income tax deduction for the fair market value and received income for the rest of their lifetimes.

Later in 1983, William and Esther investigated the opportunity of giving another farm to the College, yet keeping it at the same time. They were both retired and wanted to be certain their farm will come to LeTourneau College directly, avoiding delays and estate settlement

expenses.

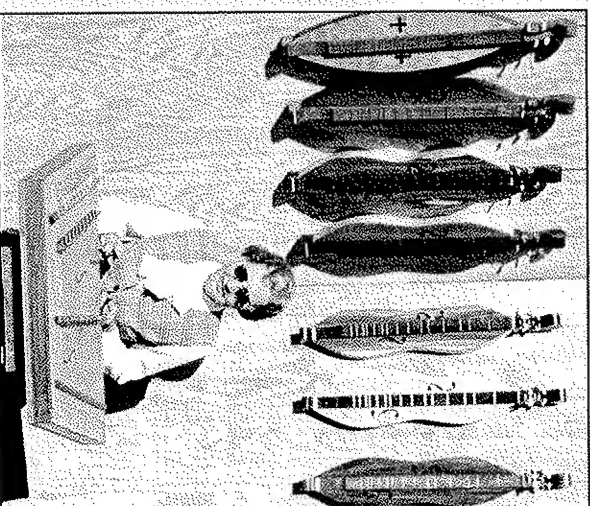
The Andrews are guaranteed, by the Life Estate Agreement, the right to live on the farm as long as either of them lives, while keeping all income earned by the land. They received an immediate income tax deduction for a portion of their gift and avoided all capital gains tax.

As LeTourneau College Council members, they are active in placing College materials in high schools and churches in their area as volunteers for the College. "Each time I visit the LeTourneau College campus, I am amazed at the physical plant improvements," said William. "But I like to spend my time talking with students. This gives me the assurance that my investment is worthwhile and that the College is doing its part in educating young people with Christian life-serving principles."

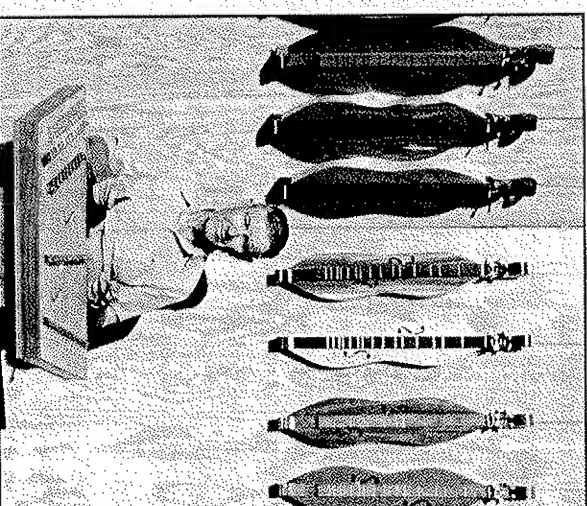
William and Esther used farms to fund a unitrust and a life estate agreement. Do you have cash, securities or other assets you could use not only to gain tax advantages, but also to serve young people for generations to come?

The purpose of making hay in July is to have food for animals in later months and years. Similarly, your investment will ensure that young people can have the kind of education that will ultimately affect the world for Christ.

Perhaps you would like to talk to me about establishing a trust or annuity. Write for our trust booklets at no cost or obligation. Maybe you would rather telephone me at (214) 753-0231. I will be pleased to answer any of your questions.



Esther Andrews



William Andrews

The Tidewater Alumni Chapter, located in Virginia, is planning a picnic for Sept. 9, 1989. Contact Mr. Lynn Showalter at 814/827-9251 for details.

1989 summer missionaries from LeTourneau College include Floyd Bishop, Honduras; Ron Bouchard, Honduras; Marlin Brubaker, Ecuador; Rachel Burk, Ecuador; Dave Carman, Indian reservation; Eugene Casel, Israeli; Jim Copenhaver, China; Gordon French, New Guinea; Bill Graft, Israeli; Carmen Guerrero, Mercy Ships; Otto Habeger, Dallas; Brian Hendley, Bolivia; Joseph Henkel, China; Steven Hobson, Israeli; Dan Huegel, Mexico; Joel Huegel, Mexico; Becki Mason, Venezuela; Stan Outman, Holland; Jeff Porter, Mercy Ships; Daniel Patterson, Honduras; Allen Richardson, Haiti; Philip Siff, Mercy Ships; Nathan Smith, Israeli; Dean Thomas, Honduras; Stuart Yoder, Israel.

1989-90 officers of the LeTourneau College Alumni Association include Tom Hunt, president; Royce Yoder, president-elect; and Scott Massey, secretary. Executive Committee members at large include Dave Luckert, Jeff Coombs, Alan Engquist, and Terry Zeitlow.

Richard Berry has been selected by vote of the faculty as recipient of the 1989 Robert H. Selby Award for Faculty Excellence at LeTourneau College.

Dr. Hoberl Farrell, professor of Biblical Studies, contributed 15 articles to the new two-volume Baker Encyclopedia of the Bible. The new set has more than 5,700 new articles contained in more than 2,000 text pages. More than 200 evangelical scholars were contributors.



# Alumnus Finds Ministry in MAF Work

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**Dr. Richard Johnson, chairman of the Division of Natural Sciences and Physical Education at LeTourneau College, has been selected for a CASE-Lewis Summer Faculty Fellowship at the NASA ASEE Lewis Research Center, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. Johnson will participate in the 10-week research program from June 5 to August 11. His area of concentration will be the electrochemical reduction of oxygen at noble metal mixed oxide surfaces. Increased fuel cell-electrolyzer efficiency is the primary objective of the research. Johnson has been a faculty member at LeTourneau since 1969. He has a doctorate in physical chemistry from Texas A & M University and previously participated in summer research at the NASA Johnson Space Center in Houston.**

**A Student Foundation has been organized at LeTourneau College and will begin operating this fall, according to Shannon Howard, foundation director and admissions counselor. Following interviews with interested students this spring, an organizational meeting was held May 2nd. Inaugural members of the foundation are David Carman, Lee Dean, Brian Hendley, Jeff Jones, Matt Knighton, Dale Nolf, Deanna Phillips, Scott Wier and Roy Zeitlow. Lynn Dignan, admissions counselor, will serve as assistant director. "The Student Foundation is an organization of students helping students," said Howard. "Its primary function is to raise scholarship money for juniors and seniors who, without one of these gifts, might not be able to continue their education. Its second function is to assist in new student recruitment," she added. "The members will be attending college and career nights, visiting churches, and assisting with the LeTourneau College visit nights."**

LeTourneau grad Dave Gardner (AT'77) worked more than 520 hours during his first six weeks as a short-term staffer at Mission Aviation Fellowship's base in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. — including flying, scheduling flights and loading cargo.

"But that's okay," the 32-year-old pilot said, "because it was an emergency situation, and everybody here put in that much time."

Dave, his wife Becky, and their four children arrived at the Florida base at 10 p.m. Sept. 15, 1988. He started working eight hours later, taking part in MAF's Hurricane Gilbert relief efforts in Jamaica.

As chief pilot of MAF's community service operations in the Caribbean, Dave's main responsibility is to assure that the FAA's rigorous Part 135 standards are being met. But the real reason the Gardners sold their air charter business and moved to Florida is to share the gospel with the people of the Caribbean.

"We have a tremendous potential for really affecting the Caribbean and Central America for the Lord," declared Gardner, whose parents were Wycliffe missionaries in Colombia.

Using commercial community service aviation as a base for ministry has been Dave's way of doing things ever since he graduated from LeTourneau College in 1977.

"I attended LeTourneau to prepare for a career in missionary aviation, but when I graduated, I moved to Wheaton (Ill.) to be with Becky," said Gardner.

Becky was a member of the "Singing Munk Family" and Dave saw that an airplane could help their far-reaching ministry. He also knew they couldn't afford one.

"I got the FAA Part 135 certificate to subsidize them," he said. "I got a contract with Emery Air Freight in August of 1978 and that really got the business going. I flew the Murks on the weekends."

But Gardner Express was more than just a way to provide rapid transportation to a music ministry.

"The business had a three-fold purpose," explained Dave — "to give experience to guys out of college who were preparing for the mission field, to fly the Munk Family in their ministry, and to have direct mission involvement.

"A year ago we started hauling Bibles to Central and South America," Dave said. "Now we are in missions full-time with MAF. My heart is not in community service operations, it's in ministry," he added. "Just the other day I gave out some Bibles and talked to some people about the Lord. That's why this ministry is important. That's why we are going to have an impact.

"When we go to Haiti, the officials there know we are different from the guy down the street," he continued. "When we go to Central America we have a tremendous opportunity to share the gospel."

Dave is also excited about the enabling role MAF is playing.

"One of my greatest burdens is to let the



**MAF Pilot Dave Gardner**

local churches in the U.S. know of the needs

of the Caribbean and how they can meet them," he said. "There is tremendous potential through Mission Vision for U.S. Christians to make a lasting impact."

Dave and Becky's pilgrimage from commercial aviation operators to missionaries has not been without pain.

"In March, 1981 my brother-in-law, Chuck Bitterman, was kidnaped and killed by terrorists in Colombia," he said. "That deepened my commitment to missions. That same year Emery called me and said they were going to terminate our contract in 1982," he continued. "We had built up the routes so much that they were going to put their own Boeing 727's on them. In fact, they terminated the contract early, in November, 1981."

Overnight, a business that had been built up to eight airplanes, a fleet of trucks, and a staff of 35 was left \$100,000 in debt.

"We were in a real financial crisis," Dave admitted. "Our equipment was only half paid for and we had no contracts."

That spring, Gardner Express struggled along with what little charter business it could find. The next year, with \$50,000 borrowed from Becky's father, they tried their hand at hauling fish in Alaska.

"We went up there, signed some contracts and were ready to go. . . but no fish showed

up," Dave recalled.

Giving it another try in 1983, the fish showed up in record numbers, and the Gardners had a good year. That fall, their charter business picked back up, and by 1986, they were out of debt.

Then last spring, Steve Adams, a friend from LeTourneau who was directing MAF's Caribbean operation, called and mentioned that MAF was hoping to expand its outreach by getting a similar FAA Part 135 certificate. Operating under Part 135 would allow MAF to fill unused space in its aircraft with commercial passengers, providing additional income to help underwrite mission flights. "We immediately drove down to Ft. Lauderdale to see if we could help," Dave said. "We had been talking to MAF since 1982, but because of our debt, we couldn't move. After we saw the need and the opportunity — and after much prayerful consideration — we decided to come on a short-term assignment for one year," he added.

"Our short-term stint is really a step toward career staff," he said. "It let us get on-the-job more quickly than if we had gone through the normal process."

Dave Gardner, like other short-term assignees, is making a real difference in the ministry of MAF — and in the lives of all those touched by that ministry.



# Alumni News

## IN MEMORY

### 50's

William Horton, Jr. (Mas '59) passed away on December 27, 1988.

### 60's

Our sympathies go out to the family of Mike Grennell (AT '67) who died recently in Africa. Mike was a Kappa Zeta Chi Society member at LeTourneau. His son, Brian, is also a KZX member and a LeTourneau student.

## BABIES

### 70's

Dick (PE '75) and Meg 'Todd' (BI '78) Ackley announce the adoption in March, of Kristen Joy. Kristen was welcomed home by her brother Jeffrey. Dick and Meg are currently on furlough from Nigeria where they work with SIM.

### 80's

Daniel Jay Bicknell arrived on February 18, 1989. He is the adopted son of Rick (BU/AT '81) and Susan Bicknell. Daniel weighed in at 8 lbs. and 6 ozs. Susan teaches high school and Rick is a pilot for American Eagle out of DFW airport. Daniel is their first child. Congratulations!

Tim (WE '81) and Kimberly Munsterman celebrated the arrival of Paige Corinne on January 2, 1989. She was welcomed home by brother Matthew. Paige's weight was 6 lbs. and 9 ozs.

A first child for Kevin (PA '84) and Alice Shepherd arrived on September 29, 1989. Her name is Nicole Rose.

Aaron John Aiken made his appearance on March 23, 1989. He is the son of Jeff (ME '84) and Debbie 'Galliford' (EE '84) Aiken. Aaron weighed 8 lbs. and 10 ozs.

November 11, 1988 was the birthdate for Christina Joy Sutherland. Parents, Kathy 'Schroeder' (MDT '85) and Steve (ET '85) are thrilled with their new daughter.

Steve (BU '85) and Jamie Reason proudly announce the arrival of son, Benjamin. He was born on February 25, 1989 and weighed 6 lbs. and 13 ozs. Benjamin has two sisters, Sarah age 4 years and Andrea age 2 years.

A son was born to Phil (BU '84) and Marianne 'Rorvik' (BU '85) Talmage. His name is Matthew Phillip and he arrived on December 10, 1988.

## WEDDING BELLS

### 80's

Elizabeth Blaschke (BI '85) was married to Victor H. Vargas in December of 1988. They are currently living in Bolivia, South America. They met while Elizabeth was teaching in Bolivia. Congratulations.

## CAREER NEWS

### 70's

Jerry Loyd (PE '76) was recently named head basketball coach at Louisiana Tech in Ruston, Louisiana. Jerry is a native of Kilgore, Texas and coached at Kilgore High School before going into college coaching. Jerry and his wife, Sheryl, are excited about this new opportunity.

### 80's

John Galiano (BU '84) joined the staff at LeTourneau College on March 1st. John is now the Director of Alumni Relations. Since arriving at the college, John has been busy visiting alumni in Washington, D.C., Pennsylvania and Virginia. Robin, John's wife, will be the new Yearbook Advisor for the 1990 yearbook. John and Robin have one child, William, age 2 1/2 years.

Steve Reason (BU '85) is now the Senior Claims Representative with Stare Farm Insurance. Steve and his wife, Jamie, have three children and live in Tyler, Texas.

Joel R. Hartman (WE/ME '87) recently completed his MS in Welding Engineering at Ohio State University. He is now a Development Engineer for Sandvik Special Metals in Washington.

## BACK TO SCHOOL

### 70's

Bruce Shauger (ET/AT '79) informed us that he is working on his MDIV/Missions degree from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Bruce and Elsa will be in school there for a few more years. Hang in there!

## MISSIONS

### 60's

Aaron (CT '64) and Marlene Hoffman report that they are still in Duncanville, Texas working at Wycliffe's center there. Aaron just completed five years as the Dallas Center Director.

Tom (MI '66) and Carolyn Pace will be leaving the states to go back to Lima, Peru soon. They have seen the Lord provide in many ways during their short furlough in the States.

Larry (ET '68) and Virginia McGuire are planning to leave on furlough in August. They are currently with Trans World Radio in Swaziland, Africa.

### 70's

It was good to hear news of Randy (ME '71) and Alice Mathewson. Randy and Alice are home in Indiana from Nundu, Zaire. Randy is an engineer and designs buildings and equipment for mission areas. Alice is a nurse, teacher, bookkeeper and hostess. Welcome back!

John (MI '71) and Joy Sandefur are really excited about their work in Australia. After 16 years, the New Testament has been translated into the Kriol language. The Bibles should be ready for distribution in late 1990.

Glen (BI/MI '72) and Carol Coleman had planned to go back to Niger, Africa, but they'll be staying in the States for awhile longer. You can find them at the SIM headquarters in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Building transmitters is what Dan Anderson (EE '74) does best. His work with HCB World Radio will be used by several major missionary broadcasters. His talented wife, Barbara recently won a Word of Life talent contest.

Ron (AT '75) and Jackie Banks were welcomed home by their Mission Aviation Fellowship family after a short furlough. Venezuela is home for the Banks family. They report a very serious malaria epidemic in their area of the world. This has kept the MAF pilots busy carrying the sick out to receive treatment. Continue to remember them in your prayers.

### 80's

Tom (ET '81) and Terry Van Gorkom have been in Colombia, South America for one year now. They work with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Besides working on the radio equipment and motorcycles, Tom recently taught Algebra 2 at the high school for four months. Terry is helping with the various mailings being sent out, as well as taking care of her three children. Keep up the good work!

Dennis (MT '81) and Diane Sherbeck report that they are leaving for Pakistan as missionaries with TEAM. Please remember them in your prayers as they go to work and live in that area of the world.

We received word of an impromptu Alumni Chapter meeting in Zaire, Africa. Joel Barker (BI/AT '81) stopped in to visit David (AT '82) and Margaret LeMaire. Both Joel and David are with Helimission. The LeMaire children especially enjoyed Joel's visit because he brought candy and toys. Currently, Joel Barker is back at the mission headquarters in Montreal, North Carolina. The LeMaires remain in Africa where they continue to bring the Good News and medical help to those in need.

## KEEP IN TOUCH!

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Top, Paul Hara, Brian Grennel, Ralph Donnelly and Charles Rudolph check last minute details for the KZX House dedication. Above, a crowd of well-wishers sings hymns to help dedicate the facility.

Summer programs at LeTourneau College include two sessions of classes, a tour to Alaska, Giant Step, sport camps, a cheerleading camp and three Elderhostel sessions, according to George Wilcox, director of summer school. Summer Session 1 will begin May 10 and end June 20, with a special mini term in Statics running May 10 to May 30. Summer Session 2 will run June 26 to August 4. A variety of classes in different subjects will be offered. Elderhostel sessions will be held May 14-20, May 28-June 3, and June 4-10. A baseball camp for kids will be held June 12-16, with Giant Step scheduled June 25-August 4. An Alaskan Tour July 9-22 has been completely filled, and an All-State Cheerleading Camp is set for July 14-16. For more information, call 214/753-0231, Ext. 238.

The annual LeTourneau College Awards Chapel was held April 26. Recipients and honorees included Brad Forrier, Aviation Maintenance Scholarship; Mark Haley, Flight Student of the Year; Wendy Bradbury, 99's Award to Outstanding Female Flight Student; Stan Young, R. G. LeTourneau Award; John Gualtieri, Ed Dunnett Award; Stan Young, Scott Edinger, Tim Graber, Steve Olsen, Alex Pollack, Mike Berry, Norman Reese, Mike Olson, Kevin Stoddard, Engineering Honor Society; Melanie Pfau, Outstanding Senior Woman; John Anderson, Outstanding Business Administration Graduate; Paul Bradley, American Bible Society Award; Craig Ziemba, History Award; Tim Graber and Martha Genshaw, Music Award; Rachel Burk, Eugenie Currie Scholarship in Mathematics; Richard Berry, Robert H. Selby Award for Faculty Excellence; Sarah Johnson and George Dunham, Outstanding Senior Athlete Award.



# Jerry Loyd Named Head Coach at La. Tech

(Based on a story by John Inman, Sports Editor, *Longview News Journal*) (Used by Permission)

LeTourneau alumnus Jerry Loyd (PE'76) arrived at the big time recently when he was named head men's basketball coach at Louisiana Tech, Ruston, La.

The former Yellow Jacket standour (8th leading scorer in school history with 1,415 career points) took over the reins of the highly successful Bulldog program after only three years as an assistant there, and is quick to admit his good fortune.

"It's really amazing and awe-inspiring how doors have opened," said Loyd. "There's been guys who have paid a lot more dues than I have. I know that. That's why I feel so extremely fortunate with this opportunity."

Loyd replaces Tommy Joe Eagles, who replaced Andy Russo and is now the cage boss at Auburn. Loyd could have joined Eagles at Auburn but, as he put it, "I wanted to have my cake and eat it, too."

He takes over a program which has reached the NCAA Tournament four times since 1983 and is one of the top 20 winningest teams in the nation the last six years—all 20-win campaigns.

Despite an 0-0 record as a college coach, Loyd believes he is ready: "I've got the background in the sport, the background in recruiting, and the background in personnel management," he said.

"There are some head coaching things on this level I haven't done simply because I haven't been one. I think I'm trainable and I think this is a situation I feel comfortable with, one I can grow into," he added.

Loyd's high school coaching record was 102-79, with stints at Jasper, Hallsville and Kilgore (Tex.) High Schools.

"Those were learning experiences for me, to say the least," said Loyd. "I had to dissect the game and learn how to teach it. That really prepared me for now. I knew I wanted to coach until I retired. I just didn't know it would be anywhere but East Texas," he said. Loyd also spent one year as a coach at South Plains Junior College before moving to Tech in 1986.



Head Volleyball Coach Bob Marsh signs Tyler, Tex. senior Debbie Perry to a letter of intent. Perry is a four-year letterman at Chapel Hill High School.

During his collegiate playing days, Loyd and his twin brother, Terry, were the twin towers of what was then the Big State Conference. Terry, also a LeTourneau graduate, has coached for a number of years and is now the assistant principal at Northshore High School in Houston.

Recently Jerry penned a note to Dr. Ken Durham. "I've got a major challenge before me, so a mention of me in your prayers will surely be appreciated," he wrote. The note was precipitated by a congratulatory letter from Durham.

"There's not much room at the top of the mountain to improve," Loyd concluded. "The biggest challenge is to maintain the level we're at right now and hopefully get lucky enough to advance a little further into the NCAA Tournament."

If the Bulldogs advance as fast as Loyd does, that shouldn't be a problem.



Jerry Loyd

## Baseball Team Wins District, Repeats to National Tourney

The LeTourneau College baseball team recently captured their third consecutive NCAA District 6 banner by soundly defeating Southwestern Assemblies of God College in a best of three series by scores of 18 to 5 and 11 to 10.

The Jackets are bound for South Bend, Ind. where they will compete in the NCAA World Series May 3-6 for the fifth year in a row under Head Coach Bob Marsh. The team currently has a record of 17 wins and eight losses and has a team batting average of .360. The Yellow Jackets turned things around after a slow (4-6) start, and since returning from Mexico during a spring break trip in March, have won 14 of 16 games.

"These guys get after it," said Marsh. "They don't quit and have worked hard all year. If you had told me at break time we would turn it around in such a big way, I would not have believed it."

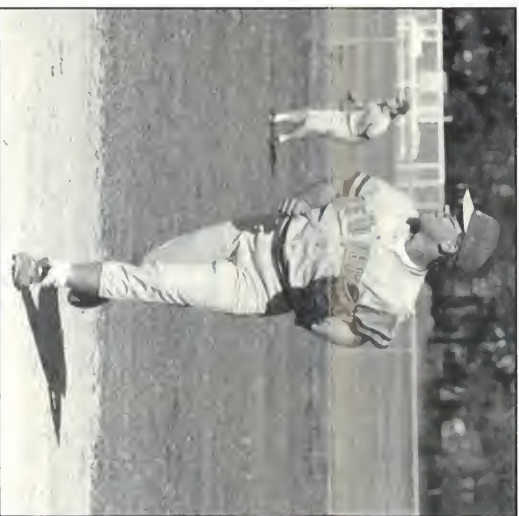
The Jackets also had seven players named to the All District 6 Team (a new record). They included senior third baseman George Dunham (.526), senior second baseman Tony Wolfe (.368), senior catcher Scott Patterson (.302), junior first baseman Jerry Stilwell (.365), sophomore center fielder Dan Robey (.410), sophomore pitcher Mid Johnson, and freshman Ron Cole (.382).

Robey also had an incredible 39 stolen bases on 39 attempts.

Marsh is optimistic about his chances in South Bend. "We have taken tremendous pride in being the only non-scholarship program represented in the World Series," he said.

Marsh is looking forward to a good recruiting season and with only three seniors graduating, he said he expects to have a strong team for the next several years.

"Gifted athletes who desire to serve the Lord through baseball while getting an education are always welcome on my team," he added. Marsh was selected as NCAA Coach of the Year for District 6.



George Dunham



Dan Robey



Ron Cole

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### TOURS

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**1989-90 Student Senate officers include Paul Bradley, president; Barb Silveri, executive vice president; Ken Daniels, mlstries; Craig Ziemba, vice president-activities; Susan Gustafson, secretary; and Richard Brighurst, treasurer.**